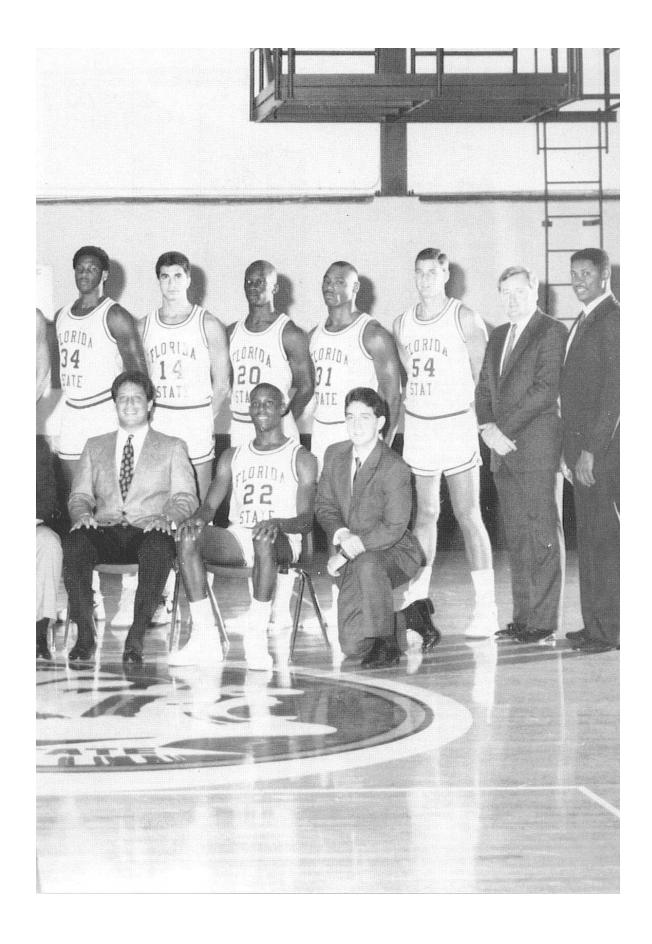


The 1987-88 Seminoles









23 Jerome Fitchett

Forward, 6-7, 195 Senior Perry, FL

Trobably Florida State's most consistent performer last season ... should emerge as one of the Metro Conference's biggest talents during his senior campaign ... lone returning starter for the Seminoles ... among the most accurate shooters in Seminole basketball history ... led FSU with his 57.2% shooting from the field and averages 59.6% for his career ... all three of his previous seasons have been among the top 15 in field goal percentage ... also led the team hitting 81.9% from the charity stripe the 10th best performance in school history ... already has 827 points in his career and should easily become FSU's 22nd 1,000 point scorer ... owns sparkling 73.9% career average from the foul line ... an exceptional leaper who earned the nickname "Jump'in Jerome" for his breathtaking dunks and intimidating blocks ... will play a more prominent scoring role this year ... silky smooth jump shot and

powerful move to the bucket makes him a genuine scoring threat. As a Junior (1986-87): Finished the season strong, as did most of his teammates, scoring in double figures in 12 of the last 14 games ... grabbed over seven rebounds in 10 contests last year ... one of the conferences premier leapers, he led the Seminoles in dunks (23) and blocked shots (25) ... had 16 blocked shots in Metro games alone ... hit on 133 of 230 shots for a team leading 57.2% ... expected to shoot more often than he did last season as he only attempted 10 or more shots on 10 occasions ... averaged 11.3 points per game which ranked 4th on the squad ... second only to departed senior Randy Allen in rebounds per game with 5.4 per contest ... had double figure scoring streaks of seven consecutive games twice and a late season string of five in a row ... blocked more than one shot in eight games ... scored a season high 21 points in 101-76 win over Western Carolina ... dragged down a season high 10 rebounds in loss to Oklahoma ... missed more than four field goal attempts only seven times ... kind of player who is the model of consistency ... only fault may have been in not taking enough shots.

As a Sophomore (1985-86): Fitchett was the only player to start all 29 games for the Seminoles...continued his steady high percentage shooting and canned 61.5 percent of his shots, the seventh best mark for a season in FSU history...also led the Metro Conference easily...averaged 10.2 points and 4.5 rebounds per game...his statistics back up his all-around play: 31 assists, 32 steals and 24 blocked shots...averaged just under 30 minutes playing time...best showings were a 22-point, eight rebound outing at Miami and a 19-point, nine rebound day at Cincinnati...his 22 points vs. Miami were a personal high for the year and his second best point total at FSU...had a career-high 10 rebounds along with 10 points vs. Virginia Tech on the road...scored in double figures 18 times.

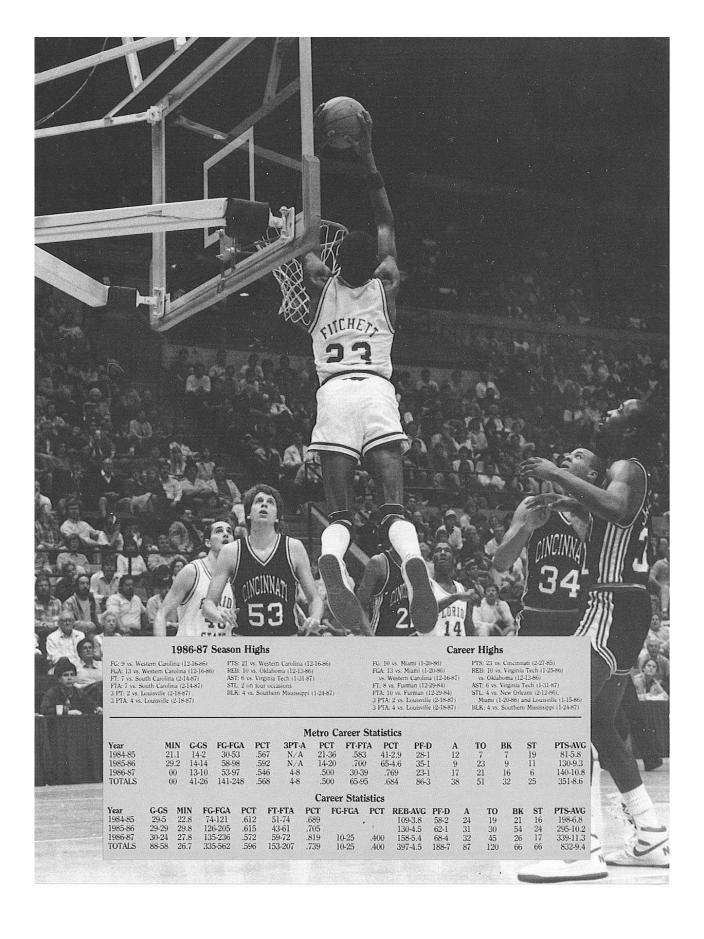
As a Freshman (1984-85): Was called upon early to contribute as FSU's sixth man and was a pleasant surprise...averaged 22.8 minutes of playing time...got five starts when FSU had injury problems...ended the season with averages of 6.8 points and 3.8 rebounds...led the team in field goal percentage by canning 61.2



percent from the floor...tied for third in blocked shots with 16...exploded for 19 points vs. Pitt while leading FSU back from a deficit of 17 points to win by 13...he hit 6 of 8 from the field and 7 of 8 from the line while pulling down eight rebounds...his career-high came against Cincinnati when he totaled 23 points on 8 of 9 from the field and 7 of 10 from the line...scored in double figures seven times...had 15 points in Metro Conference Tournament win over Cincinnati, giving him a total of 46 points against the Bearcats...averaged one turn over every 31 minutes, the lowest ratio on the FSU squad.

High School: Averaged 20.6 points and 15.2 rebounds for Taylor County High School his senior season...named first team 2A all-state...two-year All-Big Bend choice...MVP of his high school squad both junior and senior years...considered a sleeper as he came on strong toward the end of his high school career...averaged 18 points and 11 rebounds as a junior and 11 points and six rebounds as a high school sophomore.

Personal: College major: Social Science ... Roommate: Tony Carter ... Toughets College Player Faced: Jim Farmer (Alabama) ... Nickname: "Fitch" ... Hobbies: T.V. viewing, listening to music ... Other Notables: given name is Nelson Jerome ... cousin Charles Fisher played at James Madison ... Birthdate: July 28, 1966.





12 Joey Barnes

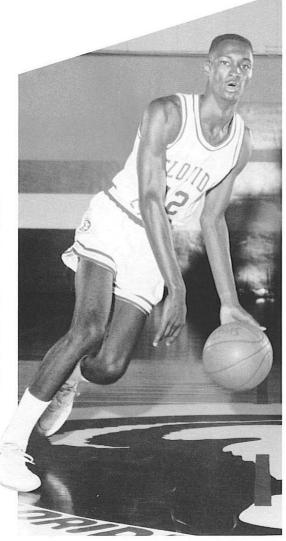
Guard, 6-2, 151 Freshman Quincy, FL

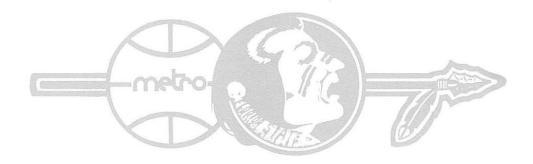
oey will be a backup at the point guard slot while he adjusts to the college game . . . has a slender frame and has been working on a weight program since he arrived \dots

has benefitted from redshirt year last season . . . smooth shooter who provides bench strength.

High School: Was the All-Big Bend Player of the Year as a senior, averaging 17 points and 11 assists per game for James A. Shanks High School . . . also named to the all-state team . . along with fellow freshman Jon Fedor, played for Team Florida's 19-and-under AAU squad over the summer . . . he scored four points when that team made a stop in Tallahassee . . . prior to his senior season, played in the Sunshine State Games, leading his team in the sectionals and regionals with 29 and 30 points, respectively . . . as a junior at Shanks, averaged 14.6 points and 12 assists.

Personal: College Major: Undeclared ... Roommate: George McCloud ... Hobbies: Gospel music, swimming, billiards ... Summer Job: lifeguard ... Toughest College Player Faced: Pee Wee Barber ... Birthdate: March 10, 1968.







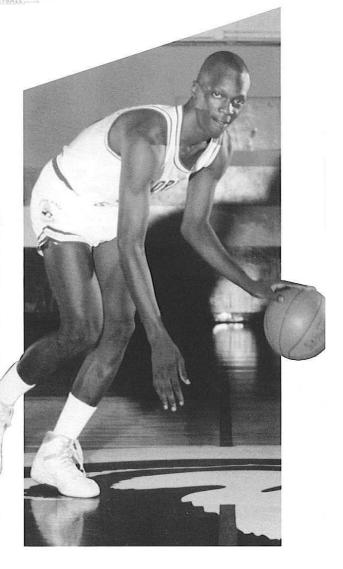
20 Aubry Boyd

Guard, 6-6, 172 Freshman Macon, GA

atisfied one of Pat Kennedy's prime objectives in that he is a prominent guard that put FSU in the national spotlight ... listed in several scouting and college basketball publications as the number one point guard prospect in the nation ... gifted athlete who has all-star potential ... comes from excellent basketball background ... should adjust easily to Seminole style and could see early action.

High School: One of the premier guards in the country ... played along side Eric Manuel (Kentucky) to form what most considered to be the top high school backcourt in the nation last year ... fundamentally sound ball player with great athletic potential ... signed during the early signing period prior to his senior season at Southwest High School in Macon ... Coach Don Richardson is considered to be one of the best in the country and Southwest High has produced some of the nation's top talent including: NBA stars Norm Nixon and Jeff Malone as well as Georgia All-American Terry Fair and FSU graduate assistant Michael Hunt (a former Furman standout) ... believed to be one of the keys to FSU's emergence as a regular top 20 team . listed in the Hoop Scoop's Top 45 and Basketball Weekly's Top 15 guards list ... starred for the U.S. East team in the Dapper Dan Roundball Classic over the summer ... averaged 12.0 points, 7.8 rebounds and eight assists per game as a senior.

Personal: College Major: Undeclared ... Roommate: Tat Hunter ... Hobbies: Basketball, swimming ... Nicknames: A.B., Black ... Notables: Grew an inch since signing with FSU ... Birthdate: January 7, 1969.







24 Tony Dawson

Forward, 6-7, 215 Junior Kinston, NC Gulf Coast C.C.

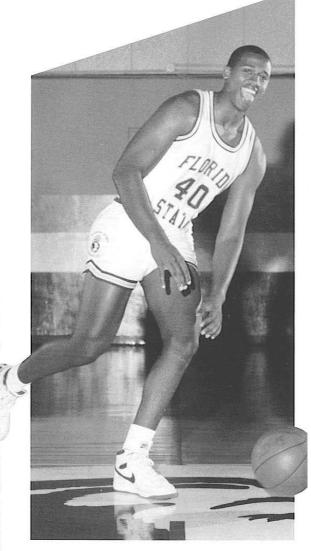
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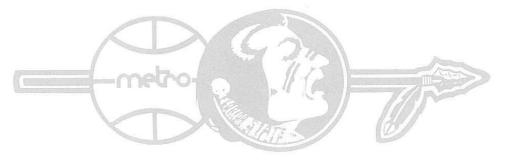
outs in this recruiting class ... considered to be a forward with unlimited scoring potential ... works extremely well around the basket ... gets a lot of offensive rebounds for points ... satisfied a need for scoring with departure of Randy Allen and Pee Wee Barber ... a prolific scorer who should gain national recognition as a Seminole ... one of the most interesting backgrounds in college athletics ... consecutive auto accidents resulted in breaking the same leg three times as a child resulting in noticeable limp ... many wondered if he would walk again ... most college recruiters were scared off by his injury.

Junior College: Recognized as one of the top junior college prospects in the nation last year while starring for Gulf Coast Community College in Panama City ... named first team All-American and Florida Junior College Player of the Year for 86-87 ... averaged 30 points per game for Coach Jim Oler, who is still FSU's all-time leading scorer ... shot 68% from the field and grabbed an average of 12 rebounds per contest ... scored 26 points on 11-of-13 shooting in Junior College all-star game.

High School: Starred at Kinston High School in Kinston, North Carolina ... played center position at high school level winning all-state recognition by several polls ... came from same high school that produced NC State center Charles Shackelford and local press believes he had the most talent ... high school area produced some of the nation's top talent including former Seminole Mitchell Wiggins.

Personal: College Major: Communications ... Roommate: Derrick Mitchell ... Summer Job: Internal Revenue Service ... Notables: Played on same high school team with NC State's Charles Shackleford ... Freak auto accidents as a child resulted in breaking same leg three times ... Birthdate: August 25, 1967.







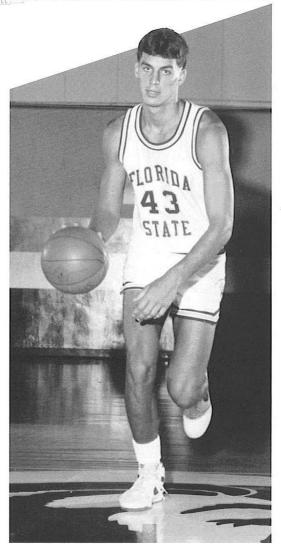
43 Jon Fedor

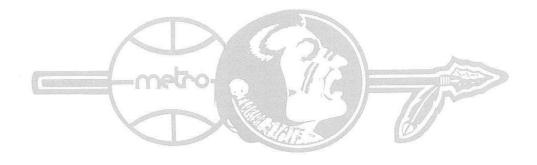
Center, 6-8, 220 Freshman Daytona Beach, FL

players ever to sign with the Seminoles . . . has gained weight, strength and experience while redshirting last year . . . has had very impressive pre-season practice . . . can play both wing and power forward positions . . . has good size and weight program which has given him even more strength . . . also has good leaping ability . . . solid rather than flashy, and an immediate impact player.

High School: Considered one of the top 66 prospects in the country by Basketball Weekly and one of the top 100 by Basketball Times . . . finished fourth in the voting for the state's "Mr. Basketball" award after a season where he averaged 15.4 points, 10 rebounds and four blocks . . . was also named to the converse All-American team as well as the first unit of the all-state squad . . . his Spruce Creek High School team finished 31-4 and made the sectional playoffs . . . played in the Florida Coaches High School Basketball Festival and also made the Team Florida 19-and-under AAU team that traveled the state throughout the summer . . Fedor scored seven points in only a half of action while making a stop on that tour in Tallahassee . . as a junior, averaged 15 points and 10 rebounds while shooting 53 percent from the floor . . . had 48 slam dunks.

Personal: College Major: Undeclared ... Roommate: Blake Miles ... Summer Job: Has worked for Hawaiian Tropic including a stint as a security guard for Miss Hawaiian Tropic pagaent ... Hobbies: music and the beach ... Other Notables: son of Dave Fedor, a former FSU player who starred for the Seminoles in the late 60's and later with San Francisco (Golden State) Warriors ... Birthdate: September 23, 1967







Hunter

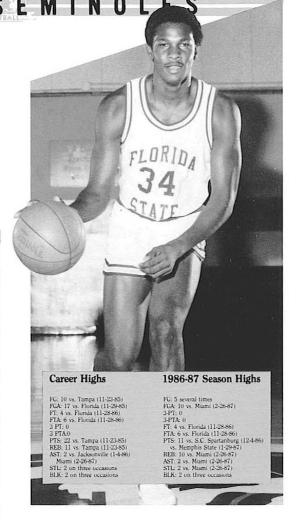
Center, 6-7, 218 Junior Cantonment, FL

Villiam "Tat" Hunter will be called on to play the post position this year ... a superb athlete who has shown great physical ability in limited playing time ... very quick leaper and excellent rebounder giving him the potential to play the middle ... very agressive under the hoop especially on the offensive end ... maturing under second year coach Pat Kennedy's style of play ... one of the keys to a successful year for the young Seminole squad ... coaches feel he plays much bigger than his listed height ... good shooter in close to the hoop ... needs to improve his free throw shooting ... excellent agility and agressiveness give him the elements to excell on the boards.

As a Sophomore (1986-87): Struggled to fit into the new style of play that Kennedy installed at Florida State ... did some spectacular things in limited playing time last year ... always seemed to make a contribution in every game he played ... Hunter was a starter on opening night and drew three more starting assignments during the Seminole's mid-season slump ... had his best game of the year in an 11-point, six-rebound outing at Memphis State ... Hunter had an incredible 10 rebounds in only 14 minutes of playing time in FSU's late season win over Miami ... shooting a respectable 50.4% from the field, Hunter must improve on his 16-of-37 performance from the foul line ... his eight blocked shots and nine steals are excellent

considering his limited playing time.

As a Freshman (1985-86): Was one of the pleasant surprises of the season...started off with a bang but his playing time diminished until the end of the season when he came on strong once again...was the Seminoles' second leading rebounder with a 4.6 average despite averaging less than 17 minutes on the floor...that went along with a 6.8 scoring average...scored 22 points in his first collegiate game against Tampa and hit 21 against Florida the next time out...he followed those performances with games of 12 and 11 points, thus scoring in double figures in his first four collegiate games...also played well in December against North Carolina, getting 18 points and nine rebounds...never scored in double figures again until the last two regular season games...shot well on the season (55.7 percent), but had trouble at the line (43.8 percent)...will be remembered most for his dunk at the buzzer after a rebound against Memphis State that gave FSU a two-point win over the fourth-ranked Tigers...he scored just six points in that game but pulled down seven rebounds...his career-high of 11 rebounds came in his first collegiate game also...over the first five games of the season he averaged 9.0



rebounds.

High School: Averaged 15.1 points and 12.1 rebounds as a senior at Gonzalez Tate High School...led his team to a 22-6 record despite missing a few games when his knee had to be drained twice...named to the Orlando Sentinel's "Sweet 16" team along with fellow FSU freshman George McCloud...was also a second team all-state selection...one of 26 finalists for the Team Florida AAU team...as a junior averaged 18 points and 13 rebounds while his numbers were 14 and 10, respectively, as a sophomore.

Personal: College major: Social Science ... Roommate: Aubry Boyd ... College course most enjoyed: Career Planning, Sociology ... Best summer job: Working in Coca-cola bottling plant ... Toughest College Player Faced: Tito Horford (Miami) ... Hobbies: Dancing, lifting weights ... Other Notables: Third cousin of Georgia Tech's Tom Hammonds ... Birthday: June 5, 1967.

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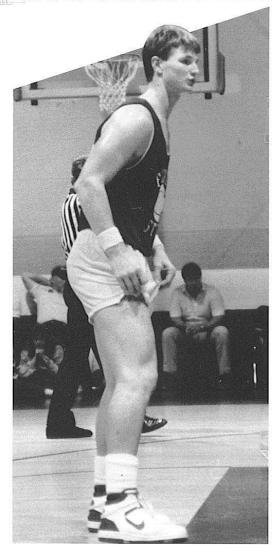
14 Brad Johnson

Guard, 6-6, 195 Freshman Black Mountain, NC

Ithough he joined the basketball team late in pre-season drills, he is expected to see playing time ... a redshirt quarterback on the Seminole football team ... excellent shooter with great basketball knowledge ... was a top basketball prospect who chose to play both football and basketball for FSU ... could see role as a zone buster early in the season.

HIGH SCHOOL: 3A Player of the Year in the State of North Carolina ... starred for four years as the quarterback and all-state forward at Owen High ... twice selected Western North Carolina player of the year ... named to the *Greensboro News and Record* all-state team as a senior ... averaged 26.3 points and 8.5 rebounds during senior year ... led team to a 24-5 record and berth in state playoffs ... finished his outstanding two-sport career with 2,293 points in basketball and over 4,500 yards as the Warhorses' quarterback ... named to All-Western squad in football and basketball for the past three years ... president of both the senior class and FCA at Owen.

Personal: College Major: Undeclared ... Roommate: Gene Houpe ... Hobbies: movies, jumping rope, music ... Summer Job: worked summer camps in Black Mountain ... Favorite NBA player: Larry Bird ... Notables: Longtime friend of FSU linebacker Terry Warren since both fathers worked summer camps together ... heavily recruited as a pure college basketball player as well as a blue chip football recruit ... Birthdate: September 13, 1968.







22 Tharon Mayes

Guard, 6-3, 170 Sophomore New Haven, CT

ould be one of the real surprises on the 1987-88 squad ... pure shooter who is perfectly suited for 3-point line ... has been impressive in pre-season drills averaging over 20 points per game ... will enter season as contender for starting guard spot ... excellent range and shooting touch combine with good all-around basketball skills ... will play very important role this year ... sat out last season under restrictions imposed by proposition 48 ... rated as one of the most talented players ever from Connecticut.

High School: Emerged as one of the nation's top prospects after leading Hillhouse High to the Connecticut state championship ... averaged 39 and 25 points during junior and senior years, respectively, ... named to several All-American team following his impressive prep career ... unlimited physical talent ... made a number of summer camp all-star teams and was highly ranked among national recruits ... great scorer who should take full advantage of 3-point territory ... named one of the top outside threats in the nation ... good ballhandler and excellent leaper.

Personal: College Major: Undeclared ... Roommate: Inv Thomas ... Hobbies: basketball, music, reading ... Nickname: "T" ... Favorite NBA Player: Michael Jordan ... Notables: Connecticut's Mr. Basketball as a senior ... Birthdate: September 9, 1968.







21 George McCloud

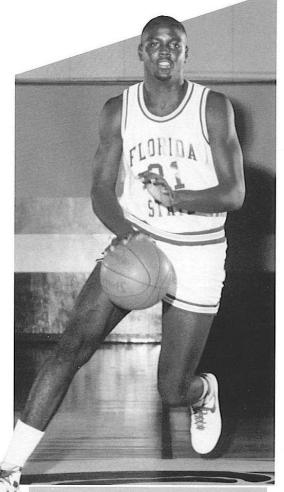
Guard, 6-6, 209 Junior Daytona Beach, FL

this year's squad ... has seen playing time at wing, second guard and power forward position ... should be able to concentrate on the guard spot during junior year ... very physical player who works extremely well under the hoop ... agressive with and without the ball ... gives FSU a very talented guard who can do a number of things on the playing floor ... established himself as the team's sixth man last year coming off the bench to score an average of 7.7 points per game and 4.2 rebounds ... scored a career high 22 points against Memphis State and followed that with 21 against South Carolina to illustrate his offensive potential ... should come into his own with his experience at several positions on the floor.

As a Sophomore (1986-87): Played in all 30 games starting four last year ... was the first player off the bench in most ballgames playing one of three positions (shooting guard, wing, or power forward) ... lived up to physical ability as the Seminole's most versatile player ... showed excellent ability under the basket ... averaged 20 minutes a game last year ... finished the year third in assists with 39 ... scored in double figures in seven games including stretch of three in a row ... had an excellent game in 80-72 win over South Carolina hitting a perfect 8-8 from the field and 4-4 from the line, while nailing one-of-three from outside the 3-point line ... ended the year on a high note with 18 points in the NIT loss at Vanderbilt.

As a Freshman (1985-86): McCloud started one game and played in 27 of the team's 29 contests...averaged 10.5 minutes of playing time...for the season, scored 4.4 points per game and pulled down an average of 1.8 rebounds...scored a careerhigh 15 points vs. New Orleans while hitting 4 of 5 floor shots and connecting on 7 of 8 from the free throw line...scored 11 points three times-against Pitt, Miami and Louisville and rounded out his double figure games with 10 points against Western Carolina...added five rebounds to his scoring figures in the Pitt and Western Carolina games but his career-high performance came in a second game with New Orleans where he had six.

High School: A first team all-state selection as well as an Orlando Sentinel "Sweet 16" pick...was also named to the All-South squad and played in Florida's North-South all-star game...averaged 20.9 points and 7.9 rebounds while passing out 85 assists for Mainland High School...was team MVP . . . also named top player in his junior season, when he averaged 18.6 points and 7.6 rebounds.



1986-87 Season Highs

FG: 8 vs. South Carolina (2-14-87) FGA: 12 vs. Vanderbilt (3-16-87 NIT) 3-PT: 4 vs. South Carolina (2-14-87) 3-PT: 4 vs. South Carolina (2-14-87) 3-PT: 4 vs. Memphis State (2-11-87) FTA: 9 vs. Memphis State (2-11-87) FTS: 22 vs. Memphis State (2-11-87) REB: 10 vs. South Florida (2-16-87) AST; 6 vs. Stetson (1-12-87) STL: 2 vs. Miami (2-26-87)

Career Highs

FG: 8 vs. South Carolina (2-14-87) FGA: 12 vs. Vanderbilt (3-16-87 MT) 3-PT: 4 vs. South Carolina (2-14-87) 3-PTA: 4 on free occasions FT: 7 vs. New Orleans (2-12-86), Memphis State (2-11-87) FTA: 9 vs. Louisville (2-19-86), Memphis State (2-11-87) FTS: 22 vs. Memphis State (2-11-87) REB: 10 vs. South Florida (2-16-87) AST: 6 vs. Stetson (1-12-87) STL: 2 on four occasions

Personal: Major: Social Science...Roommate: Tat Hunter...College Course Most Enjoyed: English...Hobbies: Fishing, hunting and travel...Toughest College Player Faced: Dell Curry...Other Notables: second cousin Andra McCloud plays for Seton Hall...Birthdate: May 27, 1967.

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1985-86	13-0	7.7	11-26		123			10-15	.667	11-0	13	16	1	5	32-2.5
1986-87	13-3	22.2	45-104	.4	133 1	1-31	.355	17-27	.630	23-0	18	32	2	2	118-9.1
TOTALS	26-3	22.2	56-130	.4	131 1	1-31	.355	27-42	.643	34-0	31	48	3	7	150-5.8
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1986-87	30-4	19.7	87-197	.442	42-68	.618	14-47	.298	126-4.2	57-0	43	53	2	4	230-7.7
TOTALS	57-5	15.1	129-284	.454	73-117	.624	14-47	.298	175-3.1	92-0	69	97	4	17	345-6.0



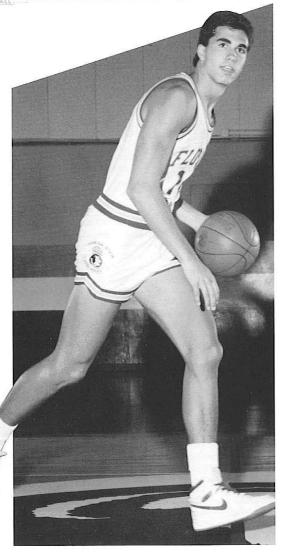
15 Blake Miles

Forward, 6-6, 195 Freshman Tallahassee, FL

prings excellent basketball background and could play several spots ... played mostly guard in high school for FSU assistant coach Tom Carlson ... an all-state selection who should prove valuable to the Florida State squad ... could have early adjustment problems to college game but coaches feel his solid fundamentals will key success.

High School: Holds Maclay High School records for a career in points (1,506), rebounds (1,136) and assists (806) ... will be reunited with high school coach Tom Carlson, now an assistant on Pat Kennedy's staff ... earned all-state honors after leading Maclay to the championship round of the state regional tournament ... listed among top 45 small forwards by Cage Newsletter ... averaged 15.1 points, 11.2 rebounds and 7.1 assists last season ... played on Team Florida's AAU squad ... brother Bobby played for the Seminoles in early '80's.

Personal: College Major: Pre-Med curriculum ... Roommate: Jon Fedor ... Hobbies: Weight lifting, skiing ... Favorite NBA Player: Magic Johnson ... Notables: Brother of former FSU player Bobby Miles ... Birthdate: April 14, 1969.







11 Derrick Mitchell

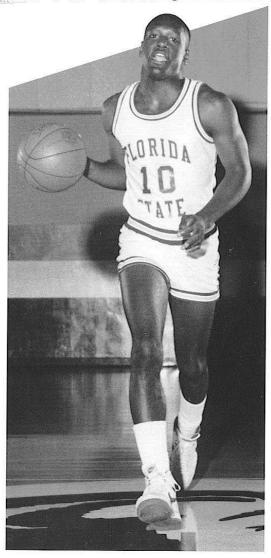
Guard, 6-3, 190 Junior Jacksonville, FL Florida Junior College

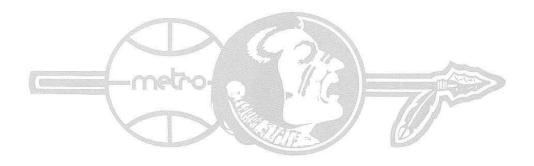
easoned veteran that lends experience at point guard spot ... one of the state's top junior college prospects ... not a flashy style but gets the ball where it should be on floor ... good defensive player with reputation for stealing the ball ... gives young backcourt some immediate leadership.

Junior College: Led his Florida Junior College (Jacksonville) team to a ranking of 17th in the nation last year ... FJC was ranked number one in the state of Florida most of the season before an upset loss in the first round of the state tournament ... led the state with an average of 5.7 steals per game ... averaged 20 points per game last season. High School: Mitchell was a three-sport star at Raines High School

High School: Mitchell was a three-sport star at Raines High School in Jacksonville ... named to prestigious all-city team in football, basketball and baseball ... talented enough to play either guard or wing position in high school.

Personal: College Major: Criminology ... Roommate: Tony Dawson ... Summer Job: Worked for the State of Florida ... Hobbies: Playing ball, music, movies ... Nickname: "D" ... Favorite NBA Player: Michael Jordan ... Career Plans: Hopes to work for the FBI ... Birthdate: January 29, 1967.









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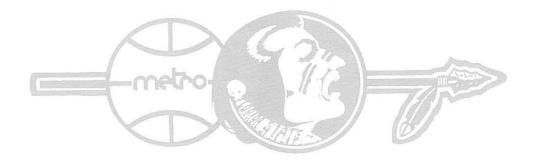
Forward, 6-7, 205 Freshman Daytona Beach, FL

prospects in the state of Florida ... gifted athlete with quick hands and agility ... classic example of player who plays big ... recognized in most publications as one of the south's top forwards ... gives FSU as talented a front line as thay have had in years, although it is young.

High School: Considered to be one of the top five players in the state of Florida along with FSU signee David White ... averaged 20.3 points and 15.5 rebounds his senior year at Daytona Beach Mainland High School ... possess all the tools to be a premier player for the Seminoles ... extremely quick with a good shooting touch and hardnosed worker at both ends ... Basketball Times listed him among its top 15 quick forwards last year ... finished fifth in the voting for Florida's "Mr. Basketball" ... teamed with White as starters on the AAU team selected to represent Florida.

Personal: College Major: Undeclared ... Roommate: David White ... Hobbies: Swimming, drumming, fishing ... Nickname: Koolie ... Birthdate: May 17, 1968.







31 David White

Forward, 6-6, 225 Freshman St. Petersburg, FL

recruiting wars when he signed with FSU ... one of the most prominent athletes to ever sign with Florida State ... awesome leaper with great physical strength and court sense ... has developed physically in just two months on campus ... plays strong to the boards and may be the key to Florida State's success ... anchors a recruiting class listed among the top 5 in the nation ... represents the cream of a considerably talented crop of newcomers ... will have to adjust to playing farther away from the iron than he is accustomed.

High School: Considered to be the state's top prospect, White selected FSU over 240 other schools ... averaged 21.9 points, 16.8 rebounds and 8.7 assists in leading Boca Ciega to the state class AAA title ... named Most Valuable Player of the state tournament and was runner-up in "Mr. Basketball" voting ... only Floridian named to prestigious McDonald's All-American Dream Team ... rated among top 30 prospects by The Hoop Scoop ... listed in Basketball Weekly's top 50 ... one of the most talented freshmen in the nation with a 41-inch vertical leap and outstanding speed and quickness ... Basketball Times listed him among the top ten small forwards in the natio ... should be an impact player as a freshman in the Metro Conference.

Personal: College Major: Undeclared ... Roommate: Michael Polite ... Hobbies: music, miniature golf ... Favorite NBA player: Charles Barkley ... Career Goals: Would like to be a sports broadcaster ... Notables: has a brother, Edgar White, playing basketball at Bethune-Cookman ... Birthdate: October 31, 1969.

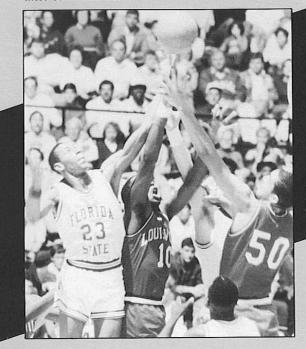




1986-87 In Review

It has been a very long time since the basketball fans at Florida State were truly depressed that the home schedule has come to an end. When the Seminoles closed out their regular season with a chilling 117-102 victory over Southern Mississippi the crowd of nearly 10,000 at the Civic Center refused to leave.

They stood and they cheered a full 15 minutes after the final horn had brought down the curtain on an 18-9 campaign. The team was summoned from the lockerroom and back onto the floor. This time the players knew what to do. It was the third time in Pat Kennedy's first year at the helm that a frenzied crowd had demanded a curtain call from these Seminoles. Basketball had arrived at Florida State.



Perhaps not since the 1978-79 season when Florida State won the league title outright, has a Seminole team had this kind of momentum heading into the post season. A post season that saw the Seminoles disappointed with an upset-first round loss to South Carolina, but a loss tempered with the excitement of getting another opportunity to host a game, this one against Rhode Island in the National Invitational Tournament. Behind the sparkling play of Pee Wee Barber, FSU won seven of its last eight and ten of 13. But is was the final three regular season games all played on the home floor that merit some attention.

Backed to the wall a bit by an unexplainable early January slump, the Seminoles were 15-9 and locked in a sixth place tie in Conference play. "But we had our last three at home, "said Kennedy. "We told our kids it was in our own hands."

Longtime Florida State observers are hard-pressed to remember a better single week of basketball prowess by any FSU team. First came a 107-78 Monday night shellacking of Virginia Tech, one of the Seminoles biggest margins of victory ever in a Metro game. A good start to the crucial three-gamer.

National television cameras visted the Civic Center for the first time ever to capture the in-state battle between Florida State and Miami on Thursday. What began as the Tito Horford chronicle quickly turned into "The Pee Wee Barber Show." Barber had already averaged better than 25 points a game over the final month, but this night was something special. The senior point guard scored 40 points and Florida State again reached the century mark, embarrassing the Hurricans 108-84.

Seventeen-and-nine. One game to play. A victory over Southern Miss would put the Tribe in third place. But this wouldn't be easy. The Golden Eagles had already won at Memphis and taken Louisville to overtime in Freedom Hall. When it was over, Barber had 31, LaRae Davis and Randy Allen had 28 a piece. Florida State 117, Southern Miss 102. "They could have put this game into a time capsule." wrote David Whitely of the Tallahassee Democrat.

One week: 332 points (110.7 per game). Pee Wee Barber scores 94 points (31.1 per game) and the Seminoles finish 18-9. Kennedy's team had battled from dead last in the

league standings at 1-5 to third place at 6-6. "And that," Kennedy shouts, "is the end of season number one. Now we start season number two."

Season number two started off with perhaps the biggest disappointment of the season as South Carolina played the underdog role and nipped the Tribe 86-85 in the first round of the Metro Tournament. It sent the Seminoles packing early and dimmed already faded hopes of an NCAA Tournament berth.

Florida State did take consolation in their first nonconference post season play since the 1983-84 squad was selected for the same tournament. Rhode Island witnessed Tallahassee's renewed reputation as a tough place to play and went back north with a 107-92 loss. The next step saw the end of the near-cinderella first season as Vanderbilt was an inhospitable host and sent Florida State home.

Florida State's season number one was everything anyone could have hoped for. Kennedy's arrival last April started a seven-month countdown to a new basketball era. It would begin on November 28 before the largest crowd ever to see a basketball game in the state of Florida—13,303 at the Tallahassee Leon-County Civic Center. FSU vs. Florida. Pat Kennedy wearing a garnet blazer against his new schools

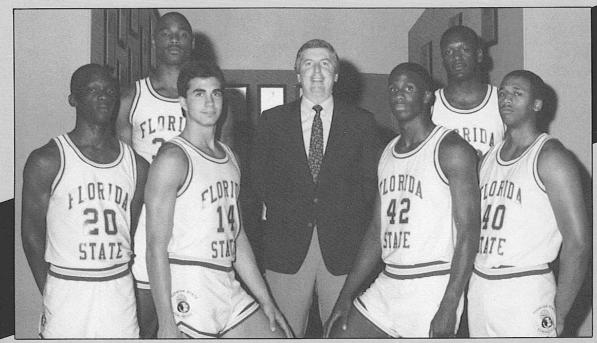
most bitter rival. Pee Wee Barber had 25 and FSU and Kennedy win 80-76.

A week later Alabama comes to town ranked seventh in the country. More than 11,000 look on as Barber dishes off to Raleigh Choice who calmly sinks a five foot shot as the horn sounds and the Tribe has beaten one of the best teams in the land. Later comes a heart-stopping one-point win over Tennessee and the Seminoles win the Florida Citrus Bowl Tournament in Orlando. It's now January and Kennedy has the Tribe at 7-1 and ranked 23rd by USA Today.

The next three weeks and seven games are not good ones for the 'Noles. The Seminoles hit a mysterious slump. One two non-impressive games dot those seven games and the Seminoles get off to an 0-4 start in the Metro. Some skeptics were shaking heads and mumbling about the "same old Seminoles." But not Kennedy.

Bingo. The end of the slump, and how. A 94-74 rout of USM on the road. In the final 12 games, the Seminoles would get revenge victories over Cincinnati, South Carolina and Memphis State in conference play; victories over state foes Central Florida and South Florida and then enjoy that glorious final week and post season play.

The Recruits



1987-88 ROSTER

Numerical Roster

NO.	NAME	POS.	HGT.	WGT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
11	Derrick Mitchell	G	6-3	190	Jr.	Jacksonville, FL
12	Joey Barnes	G	6-2	151	Fr.	Quincy, FL
14	Brad Johnson	G	6-6	195	Fr.	Black Mountain, NC
15	Blake Miles	C	6-6	195	Fr.	Tallahassee, FL
20	Aubry Boyd	G	6-6	172	Fr.	Macon, GA
21	George McCloud	G	6-6	209	Jr.	Daytona Beach, FL
22	Tharon Mayes	G	6-3	170	So.	New Haven, CT
23	Jerome Fitchett	F	6-6	190	Sr.	Peny, FL
24	Tony Dawson	F	6-7	215	Jr.	Kinston, NC
31	David White	F	6-6	225	Fr.	St. Petersburg, FL
34	William "Tat" Hunter	С	6-7	218	Jr.	Cantonment, FL
43	Jon Fedor	C	6-8	220	Fr.	Daytona Beach, FL
45	Michael Polite	F	6-7	205	Fr.	Daytona Beach, FL
54	David McPhee	F	6-5	200	So.	Auburndale, FL

Alphabetical Roster

NO.	NAME	POS.	CL.	HIGH SCHOOL	
12	Joey Barnes	G	Fr.	Quincy Shanks	
20	Aubry Boyd	G	Fr.	Southwest	
24	Tony Dawson	F	Jr.	Kinston	
43	Jon Fedor	c	Fr.	Spruce Creek	
23	Jerome Fitchett	F	Sr.	Taylor County	
34	William "Tat Hunter	c	Jr.	Gomzales Tate	
54	David MacPhee	F	So.	Auburndale	
22	Tharon Mayes	G	Jr.	Hillhouse	
21	George McCloud	G	Jr.	Maitland	
15	Blake Miles	F	Fr.	Maclay	
11	Derrick Mitchell	G	Jr.	Raines	
45	Michael Polite	F	Fr.	Mainland	
31	David White	F	Fr.	Boca Ciega	